

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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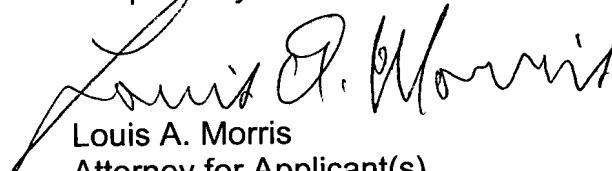
Title: PREPARATION AND COMPOSITION
OF DOPED ANIONIC CLAY

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir,

This is in response to an Official Action, mailed on August 11, 2004, rejecting claims 1-12 and withdrawing claims 13-20 pursuant to a restriction requirement.

AMENDED CLAIMS

Attached are AMENDED CLAIMS indicating claim 1 amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion and the withdrawal of claims 13-20.

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